



John Tyler Baker, Jr. Co E-2

One of the oldest men of his class, John came to West Point by way of the Air Force. Quiet in nature, he rarely gave anyone any trouble except, perhaps, on the squash or tennis courts. He was a true 'goat'; more often than not could be found, book in lap – fast asleep. His friendly concern and cooperative spirit will not be forgotten.

Born – 1 Nov. 1935 at Seattle, WA.

To USMA – from Culver City, CA. Appointed from California.

Died – 14 April 2019 (age 83) at Burnside, KY on the Cumberland River in southcentral KY. Buried at Mount Union Church Cemetery, Burnside, KY.

Military Awards – Air Force Pilot / Navigator Wings, Air Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, Meritorious Service Medal.

Schooling – Air Force Pilot and Navigator Training.

Family - Wife – Patricia Baker – 4 children (John III, Catherine, Joan Marie and Mary Diane) – 9 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren.

Contact – Pat Baker, Address 465 Cave Springs Spur, Burnside, KY 42519, Phone unknown, Email unknown.

John served on active duty in the Air Force for 20 years, retiring in 1981, with the rank of Lt. Colonel. He served at the Incirlik Air Force Base in Turkey and the 26th Transportation Squadron in Germany.

After leaving active duty in the Air Force, John had a successful career as a volunteer with the Recovery Ministries and the Mount Union Baptist Church. John passed away on 14 April 2019, from pancreatic cancer.